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Chapter 75.--STATE DEPARTMENTS; PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

Article 74.--KANSAS HEALTH POLICY AUTHORITY

75-7404. Same; coordinated health policy agenda; purpose of powers, duties and functions. The Kansas health policy authority shall develop and maintain a coordinated health policy agenda that combines effective purchasing and administration of health care with health promotion oriented public health strategies. The powers, duties and functions of the Kansas health policy authority are intended to be exercised to improve the health of the people of Kansas by increasing the quality, efficiency and effectiveness of health services and public health programs.

History: L. 2005, ch. 187, § 5; July 1.

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75-7405. Same; statewide health policy agenda; reports to legislature; timeline for assumption of powers, duties and functions; plans and recommendations; submission to legislature.

(a) The Kansas health policy authority is responsible for the development of a statewide health policy agenda including health care and health promotion components. The Kansas health policy authority shall report to the legislature at the beginning of the regular session of the legislature in 2007 and at the beginning of each regular legislative session thereafter. The report of the Kansas health policy authority to the legislature shall include recommendations for implementation of the health policy agenda recommended by the authority. The Kansas health policy authority shall develop or adopt health indicators and shall include baseline and trend data on the health costs and indicators in each annual report to the legislature. In accordance with the provisions of this act and the provisions of appropriation acts, the Kansas health policy authority shall assume powers, duties and functions in accordance with the provisions of this act.

(b) On January 1, 2006, the Kansas health policy authority shall assume the functions of the health care data governing board and the functions of the department of social and rehabilitation services under the Kansas business health partnership act, as provided by this act.

(c) On or before March 1, 2006, the Kansas health policy authority shall submit a plan with recommendations for funding and any recommended legislation for the powers, duties and functions transferred to the authority on July 1, 2006, of the programs and activities specified in subsection (d).

(d) On July 1, 2006, the Kansas health policy authority shall assume operational and purchasing responsibility for (1) the regular medical portion of the state medicaid program, (2) the MediKan program, (3) the state children's health insurance program as provided in K.S.A. 38-2001 et seq., and amendments thereto, (4) the working healthy portion of the ticket to work program under the federal work incentive improvement act and the medicaid infrastructure grants received for the working healthy portion of the ticket to work program, (5) the medicaid management information system (MMIS), (6) the restrictive drug formulary, the drug utilization review program, including oversight of the medicaid drug utilization review board, and the electronic claims management system as provided in K.S.A. 39-7,116 through 39-7,121 and K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 39-7,121a through 39-7,121e, and amendments thereto, (7) the state health care benefits program as provided in K.S.A. 75-6501 through 75-6523, and amendments thereto, and (8) the state workers compensation self-insurance fund and program as provided in K.S.A. 44-575 through 44-580, and amendments thereto.

(e) At the beginning of the regular session of the legislature in 2007, the Kansas health policy authority shall submit to the legislature recommendations and an implementation plan for the transfer of additional medicaid-funded programs to the Kansas health policy authority which may include (1) mental health services, (2) home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver programs, (3) nursing facilities, (4) substance abuse prevention and treatment programs, and (5) the institutions, as defined in K.S.A. 76-12a01, and amendments thereto.

(f) At the beginning of the regular session of the legislature in 2008, the Kansas health policy authority shall submit to the legislature recommendations and an implementation plan for the Kansas health policy authority to assume responsibility for health care purchasing functions within additional state agencies, which may include (1) the department on aging, (2) the department of education for local education agencies, (3) the juvenile justice authority and the juvenile correctional institutions and facilities thereunder, and (4) the department of corrections and the correctional institutions and facilities thereunder.

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